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DECEMBER 1 HOG INVENTORY DOWN 17 PERCENT

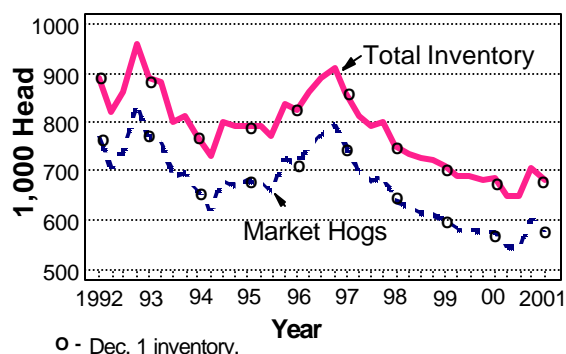
ARKANSAS inventory of all hogs and pigs on December 1, 2001, totaled 570,000 head, down 17 percent from December 1, 2000. **Breeding hog inventory** was down 9 percent, and **market hog inventory** down 18 percent. For the September-November 2001 quarter, **the pig crop** totaled 475,000 head, down 4 percent from the same quarter in 2000. **Sows farrowing** during this period was 50,000 head, down 9 percent.

The average number of **pigs saved per litter** for the September-November quarter was 9.50 head, up from 9.00 head last year. Arkansas hog producers intend to have 51,000 sows farrow during the December 2001-February 2002 quarter. **The number of operations with hogs** totaled 1,200, up from 1,100 in 2000. Places having 2,000 or more hogs accounted for 11 percent of the total operations and controlled 71 percent of the total inventory.

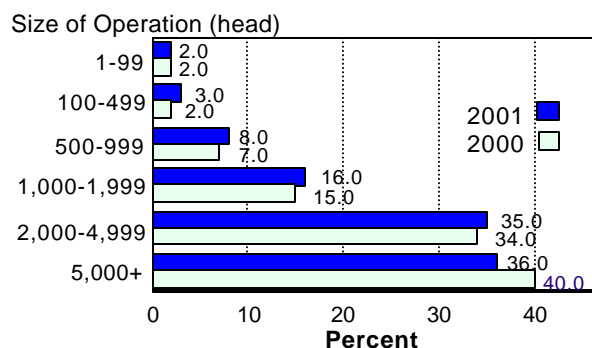
HOGS AND PIGS, INVENTORY BY QUARTER, BY CLASS AND WEIGHT ARKANSAS, 1999-2001

Year	Total Inventory	Class		Market Hogs and Pigs by Weight Group			
		Breeding Stock	Market Hogs & Pigs	Under 60 Pounds	60-119 Pounds	120-179 Pounds	180 Pounds and Over
	1,000 Head		1,000 Head				
	March 1						
1999	735	110	625	220	155	135	115
2000	690	110	580	220	135	125	100
2001	650	105	545	195	130	120	100
	June 1						
1999	725	110	615	220	150	135	110
2000	690	110	580	210	135	130	105
2001	650	105	545	190	140	115	100
	September 1						
1999	720	110	610	225	140	135	110
2000	680	105	575	220	135	120	100
2001	655	100	555	250	105	100	100
	December 1						
1999	710	110	600	210	140	140	110
2000	685	110	575	210	135	125	105
2001	570	100	470	220	75	75	100

Arkansas Quarterly Hog and Pig Inventory
December 1, 1992-2001



Annual Percent of Inventory by Size group
Arkansas, 2000 and 2001

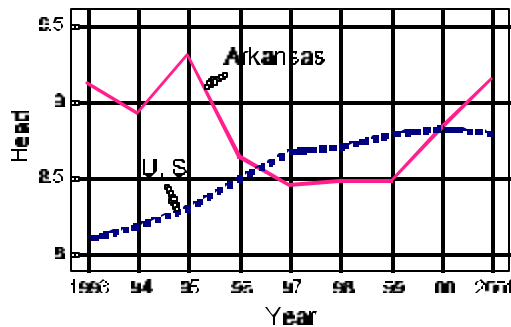


**SOWS FARROWING, 2000-2002, PIGS PER LITTER AND PIG CROP, 2000-2001
BY QUARTER AND ANNUAL, ARKANSAS AND U. S.**

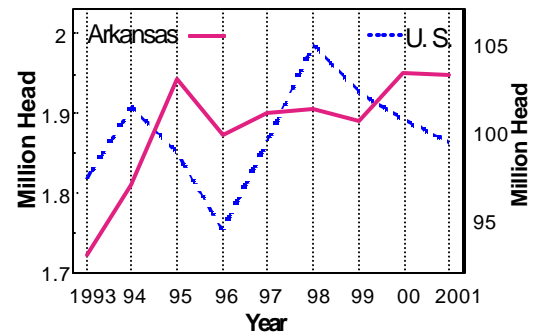
Item/Period	ARKANSAS				UNITED STATES			
	2000	2001	2002 ^{1/}	% Chg. 00-01	2000	2001	2002 ^{1/}	% Chg. 00-01
SOWS FARROWING:	<i>1,000 Head</i>				<i>1,000 Head</i>			
Dec - Feb 2/	56	53	51	-5	2,798	2,748	2,842	-2
Mar - May	55	54	50	-2	2,885	2,870	2,904	-1
Jun - Aug	55	56	-	+2	2,889	2,838	-	-2
Sep - Nov	55	50	-	-9	2,838	2,846	-	0
ANNUAL (Dec-Nov 2/)	221	213	-	-4	11,410	11,302	-	-1
PIGS PER LITTER:	<i>Head</i>				<i>Head</i>			
Dec - Feb 2/	8.55	8.90	-	+4	8.76	8.72	-	0
Mar - May	8.50	9.00	-	+6	8.86	8.89	-	0
Jun - Aug	9.25	9.20	-	-1	8.84	8.82	-	0
Sep - Nov	9.00	9.50	-	+6	8.85	8.78	-	-1
ANNUAL (Dec-Nov 2/)	8.83	9.15	-	+4	8.83	8.80	-	0
PIG CROP: 3/	<i>1,000 Head</i>				<i>1,000 Head</i>			
Dec - Feb 2/	479	472	-	-1	24,522	23,963	-	-2
Mar - May	468	486	-	+4	25,565	25,509	-	0
Jun - Aug	509	515	-	+1	25,548	25,029	-	-2
Sep - Nov	495	475	-	-4	25,112	24,972	-	-1
ANNUAL (Dec-Nov 2/)	1,951	1,948	-	0	100,748	99,473	-	-1

1/ Intentions. 2/ December preceding year. 3/ Number of pigs born during the quarter that were still on hand on the first day of following quarter, or had been sold.

Annual Average Pigs per Litter, 1993-2001



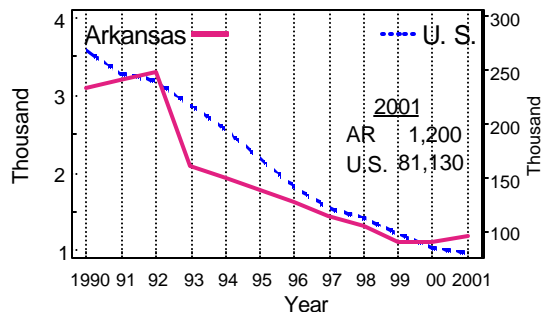
Annual Total Pig Crop, 1993-2001



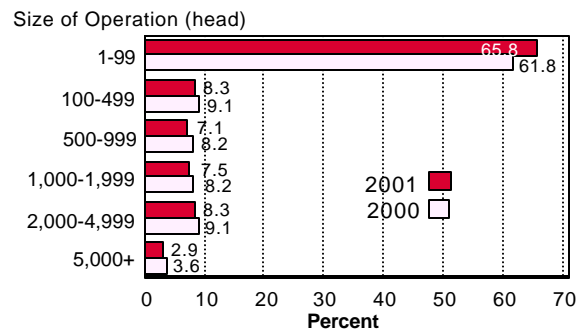
NUMBER OF OPERATIONS BY SIZE GROUP, ARKANSAS AND U. S., 2000 -2001

State	OPERATIONS HAVING									
	1-99 Head		100-499 Head		500-999 Head		1,000-1,999		2,000-4,999	
	2000	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001
U. S.	680	790	100	100	90	85	90	90	100	100
Ark.	48,210	46,012	17,755	15,415	7,630	7,226	5,850	5,494	4,825	4,779

**Total Number of Hog Operations
Arkansas and U. S., 1990-2001**



**Percent of Operations by Size Group 2000-2001
Arkansas, 2000 and 2001**



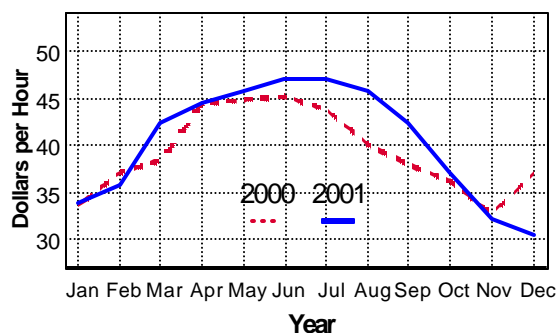
DECEMBER AGRICULTURAL PRICES

The December 2001 prices received by Arkansas farmers for products sold increased from November for sorghum, soybeans, calves and wheat, but declined for cotton, cottonseed, beef cattle, steers and heifers, hogs, table eggs and turkeys.

Arkansas Hog Price by Month, 2000-2001

Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.
<i>Percent</i>						
2000	33.70	37.20	38.50	44.50	44.90	45.20
2001	33.80	35.80	42.50	44.60	45.80	47.20
Year	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
2000	43.80	40.20	38.00	36.20	32.80	37.00
2001	47.10	45.90	42.40	37.10	32.30	30.50

**Hog Price Received by Month
Arkansas, 2000 and 2001**



MID-DECEMBER PRICES AND MARKETINGS, WITH COMPARISONS

Commodity	Unit	ARKANSAS			UNITED STATES			
		Dec. 2000	Nov. 2001	Mid-Dec. 2001	Dec. 2000	Nov. 2001	Mid-Dec. 2001	Parity Prices Dec. 01
PRICES RECEIVED 1/ CROPS		Dollars per Unit						
Corn	Bu.	-	-	-	1.97	1.85	1.92	6.54
Cotton, Upland	Lb.	.615	*.299	.286	.578	*.295	.298	1.66
Cottonseed	Ton	97.00	80.00	75.00	109.00	91.00	91.00	252.00
Hay, All (Baled)	Ton	-	-	-	84.90	97.10	93.70	
Hay, Alfalfa (Baled)	Ton	-	-	-	89.70	106.00	102.00	
Oats	Bu.	-	-	-	1.14	*1.82	1.77	3.74
Rice, All 2/	Cwt.	-	-	-	5.60	*4.08	4.09	26.70
Sorghum Grain	Cwt.	3.91	*3.32	3.80	3.54	*3.29	3.31	11.20
Soybeans	Bu.	4.94	*4.28	4.31	4.78	*4.16	4.13	14.20
Wheat, All	Bu.	2.47	*2.71	2.75	2.87	*2.88	2.89	9.58
LIVESTOCK								
Calves	Cwt.	96.30	*91.60	98.40	106.00	*96.40	100.00	207.00
Cattle, All Beef 3/	Cwt.	65.90	*61.90	61.80	71.90	*63.90	64.20	157.00
Cows 4/	Cwt.	33.30	*35.10	35.10	36.50	*35.80	35.60	
Steers and Heifers	Cwt.	79.80	*76.30	76.20	76.80	*67.80	68.30	
Milk Cows 5/ 6/	Head	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Hogs, All	Cwt.	37.00	*32.30	30.50	39.80	*35.00	33.60	102.00
DAIRY 6/								
Milk Sold to Plants, All	Cwt.	-	-	-	13.00	*14.40	13.60	31.90
Milk, Fluid Grade	Cwt.	-	-	-	13.10	*14.50	13.60	
Milk, Mfg. Grade	Cwt.	-	-	-	10.80	12.40	12.40	
POULTRY								
Broilers (Com'l) 7/ 8/	Lb.	-	-	-	.350	.390	.370	
Eggs (Table)	Doz.	.600	.370	.310	.694	.485	.410	1.54
Turkeys 7/	Lb.	.430	.460	.400	.405	.443	.385	.951
MARKETINGS 9/					Dec. 2000	Oct. 2001	Nov. 2001	
Cotton, Upland	1,000 Bales	-	-	-	1,524	1,246	2,550	
Rice	1,000 Cwt.	-	-	-	12,427	12,850	11,515	

Commodities with no data are not estimated or published for the month. *Revised for full month price. 1/ Previous month and previous year prices for the entire month. Current mid-month prices are preliminary. 2/ Arkansas price not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations. 3/ "Cows" and "steers and heifers" combined. 4/ Beef cows and cull dairy cows sold for slaughter. 5/ Animals sold for dairy herd replacement only. Prices available for Jan, Apr, Jul, and Oct.

6/ Arkansas estimates discontinued January 2000. 7/ Live weight equivalent price. 8/ Monthly estimates for individual state discontinued December 1999. 9/ Published for U.S. entire month only.

NOVEMBER EGG PRODUCTION, LAYERS, AND CHICKS HATCHED, 2000-2001

Item	Unit	ARKANSAS			UNITED STATES		
		2000	2001	% Chg.	2000	2001	% Chg.
Egg Production Total	<i>Million Eggs</i>	294	273	-7	7,027	7,173	+2
Table Eggs	<i>Million Eggs</i>	118	111	-6	5,989	6,136	+2
Hatching Eggs	<i>Million Eggs</i>	176	162	-8	1,038	1,037	0
All Layers 1/	<i>Thousands</i>	14,931	14,791	-1	330,678	337,113	+2
Rate of Lay 2/	<i>Number</i>	1,969	1,846	-6	2,125	2,128	0
Chicks Hatched:							
Egg Type	<i>Thousands</i>	940	605	-36	32,290	31,649	-2
Cumulative Jan.-	<i>Thousands</i>	9,561	8,937	-7	395,048	418,963	+6
Broiler Type	<i>Thousands</i>	97,974	100,879	+3	675,038	695,711	+3
Cumulative Jan.-	<i>Thousands</i>	1,176,859	1,172,242	0	8,053,468	8,132,213	+1

1/ Includes all layers in both table egg and hatching egg flocks regardless of size.

2/ Eggs produced per 100 layers in both table egg and hatching egg flocks regardless of size.

NOVEMBER RED MEAT PRODUCTION, CATTLE AND HOG SLAUGHTER, 2000 - 2001

Item	Unit	ARKANSAS			UNITED STATES		
		2000	2001	% Chg.	2000	2001	% Chg.
Red Meat Production 1/	<i>Million Lbs.</i>	4.4	6.4	+44 ^{3/}	3,920.5	**3,969.4	+1
Cattle Slaughter Total 2/	<i>1,000 Head</i>	1.2	*1.1	-8	2,929.3	2,903.3	-1
Federally Inspected	<i>1,000 Head</i>	0.9	0.7	-22	2,878.6	2,853.0	-1
Percent of Total	<i>Percent</i>	75.0%	63.6%	-	98.3%	98.3%	-
Total Live Weight	<i>1,000 Lbs.</i>	1,387	940	-32	3,604,431	3,643,850	+1
Average Live Weight 3/	<i>Lbs.</i>	1,131	856	-24	1,230	1,255	+2
Hog Slaughter Total 2/	<i>1,000 Head</i>	4/	4/	-	8,756.8	8,715.7	0
Federally Inspected	<i>1,000 Head</i>	4/	4/	-	8,632.6	8,608.6	0
Percent of Total	<i>Percent</i>	4/	4/	-	98.6%	98.8%	-
Total Live Weight	<i>1,000 Lbs.</i>	4/	4/	-	2,324,043	2,345,166	+1
Average Live Weight 3/	<i>Lbs.</i>	4/	4/	-	265	269	+2

* Record low for the month. ** Record high for the month. 1/ Includes total beef, veal, pork, and lamb and mutton. 2/ Excludes slaughter on farms. 3/ Based on unrounded data. 4/ Arkansas data not printed to avoid disclosing individual operations, but still included in the U.S. total. “-“ Percentage not calculated.

Arkansas calf, and sheep and lamb slaughter data are also not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations. November 2001 and 2000 both contained 22 weekdays (including two holidays) and 4 Saturdays.

